



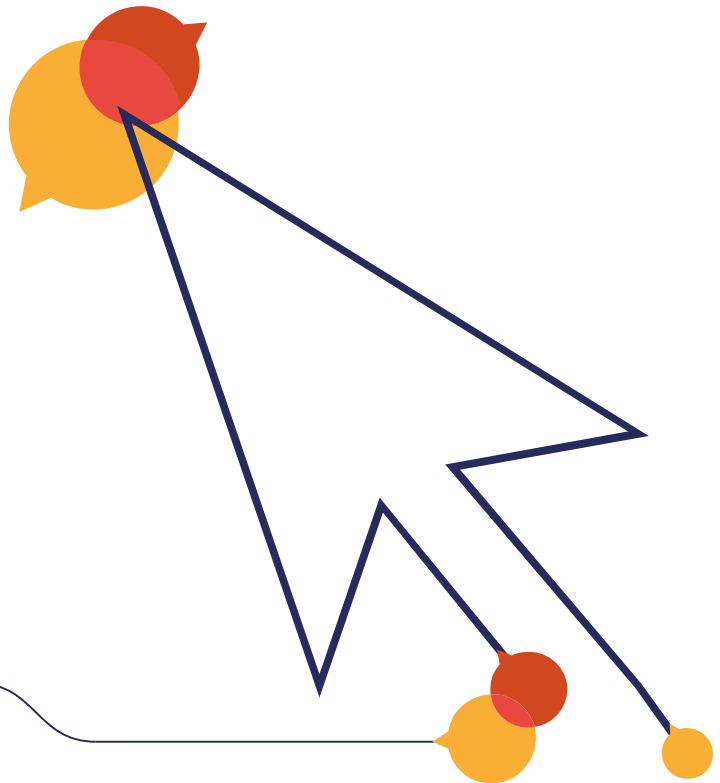
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Scottish Government Consultation - Progressing Children's Rights in Scotland - An Action Plan 2018-21

The Scottish Government is keen to seek the views of all those with an interest in children's rights on the proposed content of the Action Plan for taking forward the rights of the child over the coming 3 year period, 2018-2021. A consultation is now **open until 26th September**.

You can find more information and details on how to respond at: <https://consult.gov.scot/children-and-families/childrens-rights/>

For information, the wording of Article 24 of UNCRC is set out below -

1. States Parties recognize the right of the child to the enjoyment of the highest attainable standard of health and to facilities for the treatment of illness and rehabilitation of health. States Parties shall strive to ensure that no child is deprived of his or her right of access to such health care services.

2. States Parties shall pursue full implementation of this right and, in particular, shall take appropriate measures:

(e) To ensure that all segments of society, in particular parents and children, are informed, have access to education and are supported in the use of basic knowledge of child health and nutrition, the advantages of breastfeeding, hygiene and environmental sanitation and the prevention of accidents;

Scottish Community Safety Network (SCSN) – Question of the Month, June 2018

<http://www.safercommunitiesScotland.org/2018/07/11/question-of-the-month-july-2018/>

RoSPA is keen to channel home and water safety messages via the workplace and asked SCSN members:

Do you agree that the working age population is a useful resource for delivering messages to prevent unintentional harm?

- 75% of respondents said yes
- 25% of respondents said no



Publication: Public Health Priorities for Scotland

<http://www.gov.scot/Resource/0053/00536757.pdf>

The Scottish Government and COSLA, working with a range of partners and stakeholders, have developed a set of public health priorities for Scotland. This document is intended to be a foundation for the whole system, for public services, third sector, community organisations and others, to work better together to improve Scotland's health, and to empower people and communities. It is a starting point for new preventative approaches, and a new awareness around wellbeing, that will develop and strengthen in the coming years.

- **Priority 1**
A Scotland where we live in vibrant, healthy and safe places and communities
- Priority 2
A Scotland where we flourish in our early years
- Priority 3
A Scotland where we have good mental wellbeing
- Priority 4
A Scotland where we reduce the use of and harm from alcohol, tobacco and other drugs
- Priority 5
A Scotland where we have a sustainable, inclusive economy with equality of outcomes for all
- Priority 6
A Scotland where we eat well, have a healthy weight and are physically active

Take Action Today, Put Them Away



A follow on from the major pilot programme in order to promote awareness and prevent accidents with household cleaning products in Scotland, the 'Take Action Today, Put them Away' campaign is a highly successful project developed by RoSPA in consultation with the UK Cleaning Products Industry Association. It will now launch in East Ayrshire on 1st August followed by September in Scottish Borders. Further information can be found at: <https://www.rospace.com/home-safety/uk/scotland/take-action-today/>

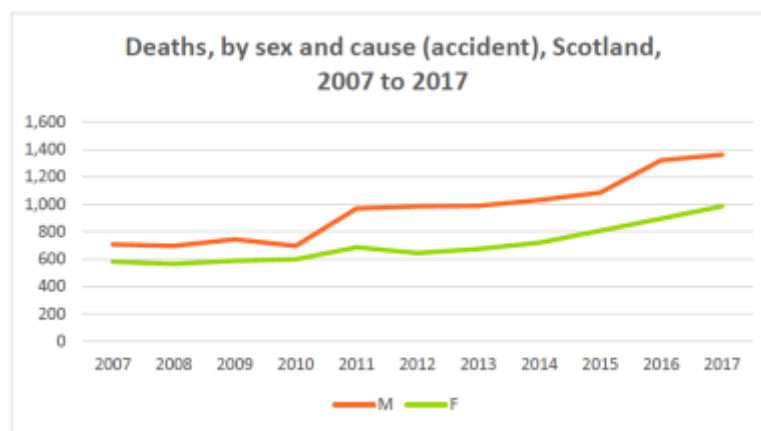


NRS data release

The main points for 2017:

- 2,348 deaths registered as accidental in Scotland, accounting for four per cent of the total deaths for that year.
- This is an increase of 132 accidental deaths (6%) compared with 2016.
- The most common cause of accidental death in Scotland in 2017 was falls (982 deaths, 42% of all accidental deaths).

<https://www.nrscotland.gov.uk/statistics-and-data/statistics/statistics-by-theme/vital-events/deaths/accidental-deaths/main-points>



Adverse Childhood Experiences and unintentional and intentional injury in later adulthood

<https://digitalscholarship.unlv.edu/cgi/viewcontent.cgi?article=3433&context=thesesdissertations>

This interesting study from the USA examined the link between Adverse Childhood Experiences (ACEs) and unintentional and intentional injury in later adulthood. It found evidence to support the theory that physical abuse and emotional neglect tended to lead to unintentional injury.



Cross Party Group on Accident Prevention and Safety Awareness

The next meeting of this Group will be held on Wednesday November 14th in the Scottish Parliament from 6-8pm. Please contact the secretary elumsden@rospa.com if you would like to join the group or just attend the next meeting which will focus on Road Safety.

Wishing you all a safe and healthy Summer





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